



## THE BRITISH ATHLETES COMMISSION LIMITED

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### BAC Membership & Benefits Scheme

At the 2007 BAC athlete conference, athletes tasked the BAC with setting up a membership and benefits scheme which would provide significant savings on the cost of living to the athletes, and would provide the BAC with a source of independent income, thus strengthening its position as the independent voice of the athletes.

Below is an overview of the benefits and services available to those athletes that sign up to the BAC as full members.

So why Join the BAC Membership Scheme?

#### **Make Money**

You will be able to sign up to athletesDIRECT. This is a scheme where we receive requests from schools for an athlete to come and give a short visit. The signed up athletes can then reject or accept the request earning between £100 and £300 per visit. ([www.athletesdirect.org](http://www.athletesdirect.org))

#### **Save Money**



Lloyds TSB offer a further six month discount on their value added account which includes free travel insurance, free phone insurance etc. They will also give £10 to the BAC Benevolent fund for each account opened.



You can benefit from a specially designed for athletes pension plan offering:

- Ability to start/stop contributions
- Cheaper Charges
- Easy Access online
- Transferrable with no cost



Towergate insurance is putting together a discounted insurance package for athletes covering home, motor and travel.



You will be able to sign up to O2s VIP Platinum service through Charles Porter where you can get a free iPhone and 30% off the price of a retail contract. They will also give £10 to the BAC Benevolent fund for each contract taken out.



5% off holidays with Thomas Cook including last minute deals and already discounted holidays



25% off Hotels including: - Intercontinental

- Hotel Indigo
- Crowne Plaza
- Holiday Inn
- Candlewood Suites
- Priority Club



GM Vauxhall Leasing have offered our members 30-35% (dependant on the car) off the retail leasing prices on Saab, Chevrolet and Vauxhall.



5% off Enterprise Rent-a-Car



You will automatically become a member of Europcar's Benefit Scheme and will thus be entitled to a discount on their best rates that day!



Interested in becoming a fitness instructor? Premier training offer the most respected courses in the health and fitness industry. They are worth over £3000 but have allocated BAC members a few places free of charge.



You can benefit from 20% off of sports rehabilitation provided by Physical Fix, a sports rehab chain covering the south-east.



50% off Canterbury Clothing!!!



Good-for-you munchies. Trade price Natural Balance Foods products and free delivery.



15% off all swimwear

For more information on any of these benefits please visit:  
[www.britishathletes.org/benefits](http://www.britishathletes.org/benefits)

### **Improve and Organise your Life**

By joining the BAC you will benefit from a supporting body that is there entirely to represent you and ensure your voice is heard. We work closely with appointed athlete reps in each sport to ensure that the views and opinions of the athletes are being heard by their respective governing bodies. We will also represent and help guide the athlete in any disputes with a governing body i.e. debates over funding, selection criteria, etc.

Under our Mentoring Network a Mentor, with the appropriate experience, may be assigned to deal with the case.

You will be invited to the BAC networking events, these take place throughout the year at locations nationwide. The last event was a boat party on the Thames going up through Tower Bridge.

BAC has teamed up with experts in Financial Advice, Accountancy, Law (including a 24-hour helpline especially for BAC members), Sports Agents and Sponsorship Agents (for more info please visit: [www.britishathletes.org/advice](http://www.britishathletes.org/advice)). All BAC members can benefit from free consultations with all our BAC experts and significantly reduced fees if you decide to buy their service.

### **Athlete Insurance**

You will be entitled to make a claim to the BAC benevolent fund ([more information here](#)). This is a ring fenced account accruing money through:

- BAC Membership Scheme
- Commercial Sponsorship
- Contributions
- Fund Raising Events

Members can make a monetary claim in the event of:

- Retirement caused through injury
- A time of financial hardship
- Education- athletes that need career retraining after sport
- Other one-off special circumstances

It is there to act as a safety net so that our members should never be left in the lurch.

### **Support on Doping/Whereabouts Allegations**

Members who are undergoing disputes over doping or whereabouts allegations can have their legal fees paid for by the BAC.

This is done on a case by case basis

So what are you waiting for? Join up today at:  
<https://www.britishathletes.org/membership/>